

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 392
By Crutchfield

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Billy G. Borchert for
laudable service to the workers of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community and union leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Billy G. Borchert, who has developed and made many positive contributions to the welfare of workers across the State of Tennessee as Business Manager and Financial Secretary of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local Union 572; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his work with the Union, Mr. Borchert still finds time to utilize his remarkable talents as President of the Tennessee Pipe Trades Association; and

WHEREAS, Local Union 572 in Nashville presently has 1,332 members who are retirees, apprentices, welders, pipefitters, refrigeration journeymen, and metal trade production workers in Middle Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure, Mr. Borchert has committed himself to the betterment of the lifestyles and wages of all the Union's members and their families; and

WHEREAS, he has overseen the construction and operation of the Union's state-of-the-art Training Center, which provides an apprentice program for new members and on-going training for current members; the Center is also used by hospitals, counties, municipalities, and others to train their employees in medical gas and backflow procedures, thus increasing the safety level necessary to make our hospitals better and safer for everyone; and

WHEREAS, in addition, Mr. Borchert has made significant strides for the Union in the political arena by developing a PAC Fund that has made contributions to important political campaigns across the State; and

WHEREAS, he epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, Governor Ned McWherter honored Mr. Borchert for his patriotism, valor, and fidelity by naming him a Colonel on the Governor's staff; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Mr. Borchert is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Hilda Ighes; their daughter, Lisa, and son-in-law, Jeremy Stanford; and two grandchildren, Haden Chase and Ally Grace; and

WHEREAS, he evinces his great faith as an active member of the Ibenezzer Methodist Church in New Johnsonville; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Borchert has proven that hard work and determination can overcome all obstacles, and that if you stand for something and give your all in support of that cause, things will work out as they should; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Billy G. Borchert for his ongoing dedication to the workers of the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Billy G. Borchert for his meritorious

service to the workers of the State of Tennessee and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.